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In re Application of:
David M. Haugen

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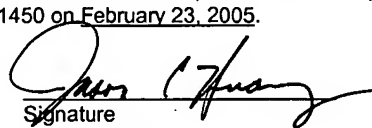
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED NOVEMBER 23, 2004

In response to the Office Action dated November 23, 2004, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on February 23, 2005, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/WEAT/0116.D1/JCH for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 9 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.